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Come, lovers, come, forget your pains!
I know upon this earth a spot
Where clinking coins, that clank as chains,
Upon the souls of men, are not;
Nor man is measured for his gains
Of gold that stream with crimson stains!
—Joaquin Miller.

Wasn't it just a little disgusting to see the American people flock to the unveiling of a statue of Frederick, misnamed "the great," who sold the Hessians soldiers to George III, during the revolutionary war? Doesn't it seem that the sacred spirit of Valley Forge should rise to rebuke the laudatory sentiments showered by an American president upon the memory of that mercenary enemy of the young colonies?

The pursuing vengeance of the Oregonian reaches out to strike General Nelson A. Miles, even in his retirement, after a life of service in the United States army. The only cause for the Oregonian's hatred of this old soldier is that he is a democrat and that despite this fact he has held the esteem of succeeding administrations, until this last military expert decided that old age is a disgrace and that Miles should be sent into retirement loaded down with calumny, after 40 years in the service of his country. What other old soldier is safe from this same cowardly policy, where rampant partisanship dictates such infamous rewards for long and faithful service? A comparison of the public services of General Miles and the Oregonian which persecutes him, is impossible.

The legislature should look into the school library question in Oregon. There is something wrong somewhere, when districts are compelled to send away from home and pay \$1.00 to \$1.10 each for books which can be bought from home dealers for from 40 to 50 cents. The piles and boxes of second-hand school books, used but one or two years in public school grades and then changed off for some other series covering the same subjects is evidence that there is also something rotten in the text-book system. Poor people find it burdensome enough to buy the needed books and often deny themselves the necessities of life to do so. School boards and superintendents owe it to the people to see that they are not imposed upon by being forced to buy useless books to be cast aside after a year.

A Denver church which had enjoyed the services of one good old rector for 30 years, recently called a new man to the charge. All the members dearly loved the old rector because he never interfered with their politics or religion. He preached the Bible, visited the sick, kept the choir in order and regularly received his pay. Everybody said he was perfectly lovely. The membership numbered some of the most exclusive fashionable people in town and if they were not at worship it was so one's business. Even the minister didn't dare to ask why. Religion, with them, was just a beautiful garment to wear on given occasions and when not needed, to hang in the closet at home. But the new man in the pulpit began a systematic inquiry into the conduct and demeanor of his parishioners. The second absence from worship brought a curt note from the minister asking for an excuse for absence from church. Some were at the automobile races, some at the matinee, some at an exclusive breakfast and some just neglected. As a result, 16 flare-ups with the minister occurred. But he wasn't to be bluffed. He didn't care how big nor rich they were, he demanded an

account, and as a result he won his case. No church in Denver has a more regular attendance of interested members. The new minister just simply taught them that religion was a weekday garment.

Editor Geer, of the Salem Statesman, objects to the principle on which Boston's "Maternity Club" is organized. He became alarmed lest the systematic regulation of the science of bearing and rearing children by the modern woman, will entirely eliminate man from the process. The husband is safe, brother Geer; no matter what heights of science the modern woman attains; no matter if children are born 18 or 36 months apart, if they are brought into the world at all, the husband's aid must be enlisted. Don't fear, Brother Geer. Man will not be eliminated from the game. Let the women plot and plan; let them organize "maternity clubs"; let them regulate and systematize, and conspire; let them convert maternity into a machine, that can be governed with clock-like precision; let them fix the dates for the birth of sons and daughters in advance, as the husbandman plans for the foaling of his mule colts; yet in all her artful cunning she must take man into her conspiracy to get results. Don't tremble for the safety of despised, hen-pecked, and bald-headed man. He is still in the game.

Umatilla county is late in collecting her portage road fund, but she will not be last to deposit her \$5000 in local banks. Actual work of collecting the fund has now begun. The form of contract adopted by the committee is published in the East Oregonian today. Interested farmers have signified their willingness to subscribe and it should not be necessary for solicitors to hunt out the farmers who raise and ship the wheat, they should be glad to hunt out the subscription papers and make this work a work of pleasure. For 30 years the farmers have begged for an open river. This dream is about to be realized. It now actually depends on the wheatraiser and the large shippers to say at last, whether the portage will be built or not. The salvation and rescue of the Inland Empire now rests entirely with the people of the Inland Empire. If the portage road now fails, let no farmer hereafter curse the railroads nor the legislatures! The people have it exclusively in their power to open the Columbia river to navigation and bring themselves all the benefits that must come with that achievement. If you have not subscribed to the fund, do so now. Let not the sun go down on your tardiness.

PLUCKY FATHER SCHELL.

A special from Washington tells of a visit to President Roosevelt of Father Schell, the Catholic priest who formerly had charge of the Sumpter church, and who had rather fight than eat, figuratively and literally. For five years, according to his own story, he trained for the ring in the south of France, and abandoned prizefighting for the priesthood. Once, in Seattle, he caught a burglar in his room and with a blow of his fist put him out of commission. For a while it was thought he was dead, but he finally recovered consciousness and is now serving a term in the Walla Walla penitentiary.

But Father Schell's long suit is championing the cause of the people against some predatory syndicate. In this state, before coming to Sumpter, he fought the timberland grabbers on the coast. For months past he has been involved in a row down in Nebraska, where he claims a ring is giving a tribe of Indians the double cross. Up to the present time he has not won any signal victory in these contests; but he makes all kinds of trouble for the other fellows. The dispatch referred to above says:

Edward Rosewater, proprietor of the Omaha Bee, who today presented to the president, Father Schell, the Nebraska Catholic priest who recently made serious charges concerning the treatment of the Winnebago Indians in Nebraska, was the guest of the president at luncheon.

Mr. Rosewater suggested that one way to eradicate the evils from which the Indians on the Winnebago reservation were suffering, was for the legislature of Nebraska to establish a zone of prohibition about the reservation, and thus keep out the saloons, which were to be found everywhere on the borders of the reservation. It was probable, he thought, the Nebraska legislature might enact such a law at its next session.

Father Schell talked briefly with the president about the conditions surrounding the Winnebago Indians, but did not take up with him fully the subject of his charges. It is understood that later he will submit a statement which will be investigated by the Indian bureau.

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Walker has his five sons interested with him, and they look upon their California timber investment as one of the best on the continent. After their sawmill plant is established, they figure that the timber they own will furnish them a continuous, large annual supply for more than 60 years.

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On the Walker acreage at present, and for some time past, men have been using a process on trees that have been burned around the butt by forest fires. By this process a tree, if only one-fourth of its bark remains, will, it is said, in a few years be girdled by new bark and the tree saved for the mills. Otherwise it would be blown down or succumb to the next fire and be lost.

TO RAISE THE MAINE.

The battleship Maine, which was blown up in Havana harbor just before the Spanish-American war, is to be raised and placed on exhibition by an amusement company. The Washington correspondent for the New York Herald, speaking of the project, says: "For \$5000 the United States Battleship Maine Salvage Company, of this city, has bought from the Cuban government the wreck of the Maine in Havana harbor. A cofferdam will be built around the hulk, which will be raised."

"If any of the 74 bodies of American sailors which were not recovered after the battleship was destroyed on February 15, 1898, are discovered, they will be removed and buried with due honors in the United States. If the navy department desires to take charge of them, or in Havana, if the Washington government makes no provision. The salvage company will make arrangements for the sale of the machinery and armor of the ship. The people of Havana will be allowed to visit the hulk upon payment of a small fee. It is planned, after Cuban curiosity is satisfied, to put a new bottom on the ship and tow it to Coney Island. There it will be exhibited as a curiosity to all who are willing to pay 25 cents admission or whatever fee the managers may stipulate."

Mrs. Gertrude Robb, of Seattle, was acquitted November 25 of the charge of murder for killing George Joye last June for seducing her daughter. The jury was out 40 minutes. Several of the jury are fathers with daughters, and they simply justified the shooting.

Horace Grady was riding in a buggy on Broadway, New York, when his horse ran away. The animal made a sharp turn, throwing Grady out of the buggy and heading through the windows of a passing street car. He was so badly cut by the glass that he bled to death in a few moments.

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